

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### HONORING THE LIVES LOST IN THE MASS SHOOTING IN BUF- FALO, NEW YORK

**HON. CHRIS JACOBS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor and commemorate the lives lost this past weekend in Buffalo, New York.

Katherine "Kat" Massey—72

Pearl Young—77

Roberta Drury—32

Ruth Whitfield—86

Geraldine Talley—62

Celestine Chaney—65

Heyward Patterson—67

Andre Mackniel—53

Margus Morrison—52

Aaron Salter—55

Madam Speaker, these are the names and the ages of the 00 people who were brutally and senselessly murdered in my hometown of Buffalo, New York. I rise to record their names in these hallowed Chambers.

I stand here in solidarity for their deaths and for the suffering that their families and friends are enduring right now. I have thought of little else since this carnage occurred on a beautiful Saturday afternoon in Buffalo.

The murderer—whom I will not give the satisfaction of saying his name—targeted this grocery store and this neighborhood because it was heavily populated with African Americans. As our sheriff, stated, this was a racially motivated act and this was a hate crime.

I do not have the honor of representing this community in Congress, but I have represented it previously. I served for many years on the Buffalo Board of Education and frequented this area, there are many of our schools in close proximity. Through my service on the Buffalo Board of Education, I came to know Katherine "Kat" Massey who was one of the victims. Kat was a tireless advocate for Buffalo's children and her impact to her community will be felt for generations.

I grew up in Buffalo. Buffalo is a great place for many reasons—beautiful architecture, the shores of Lake Erie and the Niagara River, its bucolic neighborhoods all contribute—but what makes our community so very special is the people. Kind, warm, fun, with a priority on family, friends and community. That is, in my mind, what makes Buffalo the spectacularly special place it is.

These 10 represented some of the best of Buffalo, and we mourn their tragic loss.

I will conclude by saying this: our city is right now in the national spotlight. The politicians and the media have their sights set here due to this vile and horrific tragedy. But predictably and inevitably the national attention will fade, and it will be our community's task to heal and it's my great hope that we come together in this healing process. I hope we unify, and we do not succumb to division and polarization. In honor of those lost, in our heal-

ing we become a stronger and more loving community.

I conclude by quoting a sign someone put in a front yard in our community that says: "I love you. You're probably thinking, you don't even know me. But if people can hate for no reason, I can love."

### COMMENDING AND CONGRATU- LATING MICHELLE DE GUZMAN ON RECEIVING A PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING

**HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Michelle De Guzman on being selected as a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). Michelle is an exceptional teacher whose dedication to our youth and commitment to our education system have and continue to shape the future of our island, inspire others, and make a difference in her field, our community, and the world.

Administered by the National Science Foundation on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, the PAEMST are the highest honors awarded specifically to K-12 STEM teachers by the United States Government. With evaluation on numerous criteria, such as deep content knowledge, pedagogical skills, student assessment expertise, reflective teaching, and leadership approaches for improved student learning, awardees undergo an extensive nomination and selection process that highlights excellence in its fullest definition. As this year's recipient for the collective U.S. Territories, Michelle joins 101 other educators from across the Nation as new additions to the PAEMST cohort—a group recognized since 1983 for consistently going above and beyond to make an impact in their classrooms, in students' lives, and in their larger profession.

Although Michelle's post high school plans did not initially involve teaching, her passion for education was undeniable. Raised by a family of educators and inspired by the very teachers and mentors that guided her along her personal journey of success, Michelle navigated a path all her own to impart the value of learning, excitement of discovery, and power of confidence to her students. Michelle earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education at the University of Guam then went on to graduate with distinction from Liberty University in 2013 with a master's in teaching and learning. She further obtained certification as a K-5 elementary Master Educator and professional endorsement in music for grades 6-12. In answering the call to uplift the next generation of decisionmakers and dreamers,

Michelle has dedicated over 13 years to the Guam Department of Education as an Instructional Coach and teacher at the Liguán, Juan M. Guerrero, and Upi Elementary Schools. Moreover, she has worked with PBS Guam as the literacy kindergarten teacher, developing education videos for public broadcasting.

Over the course of her career, Michelle has made it a point to ensure she does not cultivate success in her classroom alone. Rather, she strives to be a catalyst for widespread achievement through numerous other community roles as well. In addition to serving as a STEM/NGSS teacher representative on her school's curriculum and instruction leadership team, grade level chairperson, and participant in the GDOE Technology Standards and Enhancing Education through Technology projects, Michelle has also assumed critical positions as part of the standards-based grading cadre, family and community engagement committees, and assistant coordinator in school-level science fairs. With recognitions such as a Sylvan's Favorite Teacher Award, Superhero Award presented by the GDOE Superintendent and Guam Education Board Chairman, selection as a finalist for the 2021 Guam Teacher of the Year Award, and two Teacher Wish List Grants, Michelle's countless accolades offer only a glimpse of her outstanding character and contributions.

On behalf of the People of Guam, I would like to extend a sincere congratulations to Michelle De Guzman. Her personal undertaking to elevate research, innovation, and discovery through music and movement uniquely push the boundaries of creativity in the classroom, leave a lasting impression on the lives of our youth, and redefine the educational standards of our nation. Her ingenuity and determination foster new hope in the future we can realize through impassioned service, and I wish her the best on the rest of her professional journey.

### HONORING UPS AIRLINES PRESI- DENT BRENDAN CANAVAN ON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Brendan Canavan, President of UPS Airlines and head of UPS's Worldport Freight Facility located in my district in Louisville, Kentucky, as he begins his retirement after 41 years with the company.

Under his leadership, Worldport has grown to a 5.2 million square-foot facility that processes more than 2.4 million packages a day, thanks in large part to its massive air operation and a team of more than 3,200 skilled pilots led by Brendan at UPS Airlines. His work has helped grow the UPS Airlines fleet to more than 290 aircraft that circle the globe ensuring that the goods and packages they're trusted to carry are delivered on time.

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